

In the Claims:

Kindly rewrite the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead (1) made from metal, having a strike face (2) which has a loft angle  $\alpha$  of greater than  $45^\circ$ , said strike (2)-face having ~~has~~ a plurality of parallel grooves (10), ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the strike face (2) has a surface roughness Ra of less than 0.25 micrometre, and ~~in that the~~ a Vickers hardness of the strike face (2) is greater than 5 GigaPascal.
2. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the surface roughness Ra of the strike face (2) is less than 0.15 micrometre.
3. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the strike face (2) is made from maraging steel.
4. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the strike face (2) is made from a ceramic composition.
5. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the ceramic composition is chosen from the group comprising: silicon carbide, boron carbide, titanium carbide, zirconia, alumina, and a combination of the ~~above material~~ preceding materials.
6. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the Vickers hardness of the strike face (2) is greater than 12 GigaPascal.
7. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the surface roughness Ra of the strike face decreases along ~~the~~ a height of the strike face (2).